Setting up of Colour Cine Films Project of HPF in Tamil Nadu

1235. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has urged the Central Government to set up the Colour Cine Film Project of the Hindustan Photo Films in Tamil Nadu; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken in this behalf?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) The Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had brought to the notice of the Government regarding Hindustan Photo Films (HPF) proposal for manufacture of Cine Colour Films. Pradeshiya Industrial and Investment Corporation of U.P. Ltd. (PICUP) had already been granted a Letter of Intent (LOI) for manufacture of Cine Colour Films, Colour Paper etc. for an annual capacity of 13 million Sq. meters. The project could meet the indigenous requirements of Cine Colour Films, when implemented. In case PICUP is unable to implement the Project, the possibility of considering the proposal for manufacture of Cine Colour Films by HPF could be exmined subsequently.

Post Graduate Institute of Medical Research and Education in Tamil Nadu

1236. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to start a Post Graduate Institute of Medical Research and Education in Tamil Nadu on the lines of JIPMER in Pondicherry; and

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be started and at which place?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) There is no such proposal with Government of India. However, Tamil Nadu Government have established an Institute by name Tamilnadu ARASU MEDICAL SCIENCE AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE (TAMARAI) at Porur near Madras as an autonomous Society on the lines of All India Institute of Medical Sciences, JIPMER, Pondicherry etc.

Financial crisis in the National Council for Cement and Building Materials

1237. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of Industry be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Council for Cement and Building Materials, a premier research and development institute, is in deep financial crisis;

(b) whether the industry has stopped paying contributions to this Institute after de-control of cement;

(c) whether Government have also discontinued grants-in-aid to this Institute; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken on the representation of the staff association of this Institute to activate the Institute?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) Following total decontrol of cement in 1989, a large number of cement producers who were contributing to National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCB) @ 75 Paise per tonne of cement produced, have discontinued their contribution and only a few cement companies have continued remittance.

(c) In view of the Research Contributions from the member cement companies as well as NCB's own internal generation of funds through sponsored projects, testing training etc., NCB has not been seeking Government grant to meet its recurring expenditure and accordingly no grant in aid from the Government has been sought for and/or received since 1984.

(d) The Staff Association of NCB has made a representation seeking *inter-alia* release of funds to the Institute. However, the Board of Governors of NCB is fully seized of the matter.

Vayudoot to take aircraft on lease from Romanian Government

1238. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Vayudoot is working out a deal with Romanian Government for taking over four aircraft on lease basis against rupee payments; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) and (b) Vayudoot are contemplating to secure on lease some BAC-1-11 aircraft from Romania. Details with regard to the number of aircraft, leasing terms and mode of payment have not been finalised.

Supply of chemical products to manufacturing units located in distant places

1239. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state;

(a) whether Chemical Industries Association has demanded the Freight Equalisation Policy for chemical products like methanol so as to maintain regional balance in in their supplies from Public Sector Units; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to supply chemical products to the manufacturing units located in distant places which have to pay more transport charges at present?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir; a reference has been received from the Chemical Industries Association, Madras. However, Govt. do not consider it necessary to evolve such a policy for the chemical products in question.

Thermal power plant envisaged during the eighth plan period

1240. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up some new thermal power plants during the Eighth Plan Period;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what places have been identified for their location?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIA ENTARY AFFAIRS: (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Eighth Plan has not been finalised so far and the details of the power projects envisaged during the Eighth Plan period would be known only after its finalisation.

Appointment of senior doctor in L. N. J. P. Hospital, New Delhi

1241. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of HEALTH